

PARISH MINISTRY NEWS

*Please note that there will be **no livestream** of our Sunday Mass on June 22nd. We apologize for any inconvenience.

*Our diocesan newspaper, *The Evangelist*, costs \$18 a year for a subscription through parishes. Blessed Sacrament is being billed for more than 450 subscriptions; however, only about 10 subscribers are actually paying for it. If you receive *The Evangelist* but wish to no longer receive a paper copy, please let our church office know (either by phone, e-mail, or placing *The Evangelist* envelope in the offertory basket with “Cancel” written on it).

*There will be a procession on **Corpus Christi Sunday** (June 22nd) after the 9 a.m. Mass. We will walk around the block to commemorate the feast of Corpus Christi. Also, that same weekend we will welcome a **visiting priest** from Tanzania who will celebrate our 4 p.m. Mass. The second collection that weekend at all Masses will be for these missions.

*June winners for the **Holy Name Society’s** \$1 raffle = \$200 1st, Pete Mineau; \$50 2nd, Mary O’Brien; and \$25 each for 3rd-5th prizes, Nancy Coleman, Stephan Droboucky, and Colleen Vink. The next drawing is Wednesday, July 2nd at 7 p.m. Parish men are all welcomed. HNS donated \$500 to BSS’s 8th Grand Student (Monsignor Foreman Award). We thank you for supporting our raffle!

*The **St. Francis Prayer Group** will meet next Sunday, June 15th, after Mass in the church.

*Do you enjoy crafting? Our annual **Family Festival** is scheduled for Saturday, September 27th, and once again we will offer a table of handmade crafts. Last year, we had many beautiful items made by talented parishioners. Also, if you know someone else who would donate their creations, please spread the word to them!

FOOD PANTRY

*In May, we served **198 households!** There were 163 children, 323 adults, and 69 seniors.

*Please consider **volunteering** at Blessed Sacrament’s food pantry! Help is needed with setting up and taking down tables before and after pantry hours. Some volunteers are also needed to keep the flow of guests moving smoothly. Volunteer your time anywhere from one day a month to every day that the pantry is open! We have about 40 guests each pantry day. Contact our parish office!

*The following items are currently needed in particular: **toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, disposable razors, canned goods, coffee, cereal, and laundry detergent (liquid or pods).**

*Our food pantry is open **Mondays and Thursdays**, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Donations can be dropped off on Mondays and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 12 noon (but preferably not between 10 and 11:30 a.m. as guests are picking up items).

THE BOUTIQUE

***Shopping hours:** 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays with donations accepted Tuesdays and Fridays, 9 a.m. to noon.


HAPPENING IN OUR COMMUNITIES

*St. Kateri Tekakwitha National Shrine & Historic Site welcomes Sr. Linda Neil, CSJ, as she leads an afternoon of reflection titled “**Earth: Our Common Home**” on Saturday, June 18th from 1-4 p.m. in Grassmann Hall. The St. Kateri Shrine is located at 3636 Route 5, Fonda. Registration is required; please call (518) 853-3646.

***Spa City Catholic**, a regional young-adult group, in collaboration with the Albany Diocese, will launch the Alpha Program this summer. Alpha is an 11-week course where people are excited for a conversation about faith, life, and God. Details: Saturday mornings, 10-11:30 a.m., June 21st through August 30th. Where: St. Peter’s Parish Center, 62 Hamilton St., Saratoga Springs. Our group is geared toward young adults ages 19-39. For more information, visit <https://alphausa.org/catholic-context/>; for questions or details about the Spa City Catholic group, send an e-mail to: SpaCityCatholic@gmail.com.

*S.A.L.T. 2025 “**Service Action Learning Team**” is happening July 14th through 17th at Christ Our Light Church, 1 Maria Dr., Loudonville. There’s a small cost of \$75 to cover some of the week’s supplies. Payment can be made to RCDA Youth Ministry; please send your payment upon registration. To register and for more information, visit the website <https://forms.gle/n2Udc4Qsd4R795pGA>.

*Save the date: upcoming **Cursillo** retreats! Women’s Weekend, August 21st-24th; Men’s Weekend, October 2nd-5th. Space is limited. The cost is \$235 per person, and financial assistance is available if needed. Applications are available online at albanycursillo.org and can be e-mailed to: albanycursillo22@gmail.com.



Where Reading is Magic

*Tutor Training Schedule
for 2025-2026 School Year*

Our tutors undergo a two-day training which generally occurs on two consecutive Saturdays from 8:45 AM - 3:30 PM. The first day addresses how racism and poverty affect our students and us. The second day looks at brain development, the 5 components of reading, ACEs, and lesson planning. We also offer supplemental trainings on various topics on the second Wednesdays of the month.

This year we are adding an additional training that occurs on two different days for those who cannot attend on Saturdays.

September	13 th & 20 th	(Saturdays)
October	13 th & 24 th	(Monday & Friday)
November	8 th & 15 th	(Saturdays)
January	10 th & 17 th	(Saturdays)


*For more information
about this Albany
organization, visit
their website: [https://
wizardswardrobe.org/](https://wizardswardrobe.org/).*

OFFERTORY: SHARING OUR TREASURE

Regular: \$7,913; **Catholic Communications:** \$813;
Ascension: \$1,105

Blessed Sacrament needs at least \$9,000 each week in our collections to break even — not counting unexpected maintenance costs that might arise. To donate online, scan the code or visit the website secure.myvanco.com/YHAN/home.

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— JOHN 20:19

BAPTISMS

Arianna Nicole Bounds
Cillian Patrick Logan

FUNERALS

Bernadette Vermette

WEDDINGS

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Weekend Masses: Saturdays, 4 p.m.; Sundays, 9 a.m. *(English)* and 6 p.m. *(Urdu)*

Weekday Masses: As scheduled in the bulletin

Reconciliation (Confession): Tuesdays & Thursdays, 12:30-1:30 p.m.; Saturdays, 3-3:40 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

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(Sunday Masses are livestreamed here)
Subscribe to our YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@BSCAlbany>
Download myParishApp: Text app to 55321

*In case of an **emergency** requiring the ministry of a priest, outside parish office hours (and especially in danger of death), please contact the priests at (518) 482-3375. If no one answers, please leave a message.*

<p>SATURDAY, 6/7/25 — 4 PM</p> <p>✠ Josephine K Foley ✠ Terence Driscoll ♥ Michael Anthony Sparks</p>	<p>SUNDAY, 6/8/25 — 9 AM</p> <p>✠ Daniel Lamphere, Sr. ✠ Joanne Monahan ✠ Jeanne Albertson ♥ Fr. Daniel Quinn (Ord Ann)</p> <p>6 PM — URDU <i>Pentecost</i></p>
<p>MONDAY, 6/9/25 — 7 AM</p> <p>✠ Louis Huynh ♥ Bill C ♥ Michael Anthony Sparks</p> <p><i>Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church</i></p>	<p>TUESDAY, 6/10/25 — 12 PM <i>Confession and Adoration: 12:30-1:30 p.m.</i></p> <p>✠ John & Mary Lynch ✠ Casey Ryan Lynch ✠ Donald Partyka ✠ Katie Lynch Farrell</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY, 6/11/25 — 8:15 AM</p> <p>✠ Jack & Brian Cromie ✠ Joan Mirable</p> <p><i>Memorial, St. Barnabas</i></p>	<p>THURSDAY, 6/12/25 — 12 PM <i>Confession and Adoration: 12:30-1:30 p.m.</i></p> <p>✠ Millie Rapello ✠ Robert Mittler ✠ Frank Bishop ✠ Paula Foro</p>
<p>FRIDAY, 6/13/25</p> <p>NO MASS</p> <p><i>Memorial, St. Anthony of Padua</i></p>	<p><i>Please note: Mass intentions with a ✠ indicate that the person is deceased; ♥ indicates that the person is alive.</i></p> <p><i>If you are having a Mass offered and would like to bring up the gifts, please see an usher before the liturgy begins.</i></p>
<p>SATURDAY, 6/14/25 — 4 PM</p> <p>♥ Kaitlyn Wilson Thompson ✠ Mary Lou Coleman Campbell ✠ Mary F Fittig ✠ Marilyn ‘Mimi’ Furbeck</p>	<p>SUNDAY, 6/15/25 — 9 AM</p> <p>✠ Daniel Lamphere, Sr. ✠ Robert Power (3rd Ann) ♥ Bill C ♥ Pres. Joe Biden</p> <p>6 PM — URDU <i>Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity</i></p>

FROM THE DEACON’S BENCH


The Easter season concludes with today’s celebration of the feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost, we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem. This event marks the beginning of the Church – our story! We read about this in Acts of the Apostles. The account in today’s Gospel, taken from the Gospel of John, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. After his death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an advocate, who would enable them to be his Gospel message throughout the world.

You may recall that we heard today’s Gospel on the second Sunday of Easter. At that time, we also heard the passage that follows, which describes Jesus’s appearance to Thomas. In that context, we were led to reflect on belief and unbelief.

Today, on Pentecost, this reading reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun: “As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” He breathes the Holy Spirit upon them, and then Jesus sends his disciples to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins.

This Gospel reminds us that the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people.

What can you do to bring peace to your family? And beyond that, to work for peace in our world?
~Deacon Gerry



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Mass Schedule: Sundays, 9 a.m. (English) and 11 a.m. (Spanish); Mass and Adoration on Fridays at 6:30 p.m.

FROM THE PARISH BULLETIN:

*On Sunday, June 8th (Pentecost), there will be *one* bilingual Mass at 10 a.m. followed by a **pot-luck lunch**. Please join us!

*Our 38th annual **parish family weekend** at Pyramid Lake will be held August 15th-17th. Adults are \$70 and children younger than 18 are free. Registration begins Sunday, June 22nd.

*View our Masses online through **Facebook**:
www.facebook.com/shrinechurchofourladyoftheamericas/

THIS WEEKEND’S MASS READINGS (6/7-6/8)

FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-11
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 104
SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
GOSPEL: John 20:19-23

NEXT WEEKEND’S MASS READINGS (6/14-6/15)

FIRST READING: Proverbs 8:22-31
RESPONSORIAL: Psalm 8
SECOND READING: Romans 5:1-5
GOSPEL: John 16:12-15



Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth. Let us pray. O God, who has taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that in the same Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

*In addition to family Faith Formation (where adults participate in their own faith-sharing group, too!), Blessed Sacrament Church offers sacramental preparation for **First Reconciliation**, **First Communion** (usually age seven/second grade or older), and **Confirmation** (usually age 15/10th grade or older). A brand-new Faith Formation year will begin this September! If you or someone you know is interested in participating, please contact our Faith Formation office and let us know!



June marks the month dedicated to the **Sacred Heart of Jesus**. There are also many feast days celebrated, including Pentecost! Catholic Icing’s website offers a wonderful article about celebrating June with your family, from articles and recipes to craft projects and liturgical activities. Check it out: www.catholicicing.com/june-saint-feast-days-to-celebrate-with-kids/. Also, here is a list of the Pope’s special intentions for 2025: www.usccb.org/prayers/popes-monthly-intentions-2025.

Colonie Center Mall




Step #1: Have fun shopping and dining at **Colonie Center!**
Step #2: Bring your original receipts to either our **school or church offices** to accumulate points for BSS!

June 2025 Points Opportunities:

3X: Ulta, Sephora, L.L. Bean, and H&M
4X: Torrid, Kay’s, Dunkin’, and Auntie Anne’s

Bonus: 1,000 bonus points for all Hot Cuts receipt handed in!



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*Here’s what’s happening this upcoming week for our **ABC Countdown** to the last day of school: Monday (6/9), “Silly Sock Day”; Tuesday (6/10), “Tunes Day” with our Spring Concert at 6 p.m. in the gym (all are invited!); Wednesday (6/11), “Ultimate Day of Baseball” with a Tri-City Valley Cats game field trip for Grades K-4; Thursday (6/12), “View the Universe Day” (with an inflatable planetarium in the gym!); and Friday (6/13), “Water Balloon Fight Day” and graduation day!

*Here is our upcoming **graduation schedule** for Friday, June 13th: Pre-K3 (Gonzalez/Pellegrino), 8:30 a.m.; Pre-K4 (Dooley/Cooper), 11 a.m.; Kindergarten (Perez/Arroyo), 1 p.m.; and Grade 8, 6 p.m. (*graduates need to report to the school gym at 5:30 p.m. while parents and guests can go directly to the church*).

*Registration is open for **BSS’s Summer Camp**, which will take place June 30th through August 8th. The cost per child is \$200 a week. Please register by June 2nd (this Monday!). For more information: info@blessedsacramentschool.net.

*Did you know that we have a webpage with ideas for how to **support our school**, even during the summer months? Check out <https://blessedsacramentschool.net/support-our-school/>.



Photos from the 2025 Albany Catholic Schools Reunion (5/30)

